

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

US Appln. No. Not Yet Assigned

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-7 (canceled).

8. (original): A laminate production apparatus for producing a laminate by nipping a running support and a resin film of thermoplastic resin by means of a nip roller and a cooling roller while coating the surface of the support with the resin film, wherein a gas jet nozzle for jetting a gas permeable through the resin film toward the surface of the cooling roller is provided near a nip point for the support and the resin film.

9. (original): The laminate production apparatus according to claim 8, wherein a flow velocity of the gas blown from the gas jet nozzle is 1 m/sec or higher.

10. (original): The laminate production apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the gas jet nozzle is disposed at a position such that the distance from a tip of the gas jet nozzle to the surface of the cooling roller is 50 mm or shorter when blowing the gas vertically to the surface of the cooling roller.

11. (original): The laminate production apparatus according to claim 10, wherein a flow velocity of the gas blown from the gas jet nozzle is 1 m/sec or higher.